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RABAT FOR AGATT

EO 11652: N/A
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SUBJ: RAINS ARRIVE

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THE RAINS HAVE COME IN ABUNDANCE THROUGHOUT TUNISIA, ENDING TWO MONTHS' DROUGHT. ALTHOUGH BOTH PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER AGRICULTURE IN TALKS WITH EMBASSY LAST WEEK SEEMED CONFIDENT REGARDING AGRICULTURE SITUATION, OTHER OFFICIALS, AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS AND GENERAL PUBLIC WERE EXPRESSING INCREASING CONCERN. TIJANI CHELLI, PDG INVESTMENT PROMOTION AGENCY, IN PARTICULAR NOTED THAT IF RAINS DID NOT FALL SOON HIS HOPES FOR INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT WOULD RECEIVE SETBACK SINCE SUBSTANTIAL FOREX WOULD HAVE TO BE DIVERTED TO FOOD IMPORTS. IN ANY CASE, IT IS BELIEVED THAT UNLESS RAINS FOR REST OF SEASON ARE UNUSUALLY HEAVY, CEREALS
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PRODUCTION WILL PROBABLY BE 20-30 PERCENT BELOW EARLY

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ESTIMATE OF 1.1 MILLION TONS. FOR EXAMPLE, RAINS HAVE COME TOO LATE IN SOUTH TO SAVE MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF BARLEY CROP BUT WILL BE EXCELLENT FOR PASTURAGE AND REPLENISHMENT OF GROUND WATER.
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